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Via SCPSC E-FILING DMS

The Honorable Jocelyn G. Boyd Chief Clerk/Executive Director Public Service Commission of South Carolina 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100 Columbia, SC 29210

Re: Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC for Approval of Demand-Side Management and Energy Efficiency Rider 13, Decreasing Residential Rates and Increasing Non-Residential Rates;

Docket No. 2021-76-E

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Please find attached for electronic filing with the South Carolina Public Service Commission ("Commission") a copy of the Petition to Intervene of Walmart Inc. ("Walmart"), in the above-referenced case. By copy of this letter, I am serving all parties of record via Electronic Mail.

Please contact us if you have any questions concerning this filing.

Sincerely,

SPILMAN THOMAS & BATTLE, PLLC

By

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c: Certificate of Service

BEFORE THE

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2021-76-E

IN RE:)	CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
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Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC)	
for Approval of Demand-Side Management)	
and Energy Efficiency Rider 13, Decreasing)	
Residential Rates and Increasing Non-)	
Residential Rates)	

I hereby certify that I have this day served one (1) copy of the foregoing document upon the following parties to this proceeding via Electronic Mail:

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Dated: March 25, 2021

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IN RE:)	
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Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC)	PETITION TO INTERVENE OF
for Approval of Demand-Side Management)	WALMART INC.
and Energy Efficiency Rider 13, Decreasing)	
Residential Rates and Increasing Non-)	
Residential Rates)	

Pursuant to Rule 103-825 of the rules and regulations of the South Carolina Public Service Commission ("Commission"), Walmart Inc. ("Walmart"), by its attorneys, respectfully requests that the Commission permit it to intervene and become a party in the above-captioned matter. In support of its Petition to Intervene, Walmart submits as follows:

- 1. On March 1, 2021, Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC ("Company" or "DEC"), filed an Application for approval of Rider 13, Demand-Side Management ("DSM") and Energy Efficiency ("EE") for 2021 ("Application"). The Application was filed pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-37-20, S.C. Code. Reg. 103-819 and 823, the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina.
- 2. Walmart is a global retailer of goods and services and also operates throughout the United States. Walmart's principal energy management office is located at 2608 SE J Street, Bentonville, AR 72716.
- 3. Walmart has the privilege of providing its retail services in the State of South Carolina. Walmart is a large commercial customer of DEC. Walmart has approximately 39 facilities in South Carolina that are served by DEC, which include Walmart Supercenters, Sam's Clubs, gas stations, and one distribution center. Walmart purchases approximately 100 million

kWh annually from DEC. Electricity is one of the largest operating costs faced by Walmart. As a result, any modification to DEC's electric rates and terms of service has the potential to substantially impact Walmart's operations in South Carolina. Further, Walmart is dedicated to its own investment in DSM and EE and therefore is very interested in this case and has participated in similar cases in the past.

4. As such, Walmart has a direct and substantial interest in the outcome of this proceeding. In addition, as a large commercial customer that purchases substantial amounts of electric and related services from DEC pursuant to multiple accounts at multiple locations, Walmart has an interest in this proceeding that is not represented by any other party.

5. The attorneys representing Walmart in this proceeding are:

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Ms. Eaton is authorized to accept service of papers in this proceeding on behalf of Walmart. Walmart also respectfully requests that Mr. Williamson be added jointly to the service list. Walmart may cause to be filed a motion for Mr. Williamson to be admitted *pro hac vice* before this Commission, and subsequent to any Commission grant of such request, Walmart requests that Mr. Williamson be added to the official service list as attorneys authorized to accept service of papers in this proceeding.

6. This Petition to Intervene is timely filed as interventions are due by May 24, 2021, per Notice of the Commission.

WHEREFORE, Walmart respectfully requests that it be granted leave to intervene and be made a party to the above-captioned proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

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